'C' belonging to AFHQ and Ministry of Defence Cadres, who were posted to the Offices of Military Advisers|Attaches in Indian Missions abroad, and whose extended tenure expired on 30-6-1985, have not yet returned to rejoin duty in India. One of these three Stenographers was posted to our Embassy in Washington and the remaining two to our High Commission in London.

Information has been received that the Stenographer in Washington has booked his passage to India on 30-8-85. The other two in London have also been directed to report back for duty in India immediately. In case, they fail to report for duty within a reasonable time, the officials will be liable to disciplinary proceedings provided for under the rules.

Transformer in Pandav Nagar, Delhi

2501. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a decision has been taken to shift the transformer and increase its capacity in Pandav Nagar (Opp. Mother Dairy) Delhi from the present place to a corner in the Park;

(b) if so, when the decision was taken;

(c) by when it is likely to be implemented; and

(d) the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): (a) to (d) Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking has not taken any decision to shift the existing 400 KVA pole-mounted transformer. However, it proposes to establish an additional 400 KVA sub-station to meet the growing demand of the area. The work is likely to be completed in about 3 months.

Power failure in Laxmi Nagar,Delhi

2502. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 1481 given in the Rajya Sabha on 15th May, 1985 and state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in Laxmi Nagar J-Extn., N. Block and PP-Block, in Delhi, Breakdown of power supply has increased and there had been daily power failure in the last week of July and first ten days of August, 1985;

(b) whether most of the power failures have been in the evenings and nights for hours together; and

(c) the steps being taken to augment the transformer capacity in the area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): (a) and (b) According to DESU during the relevant period power supply was interrupted in the area on 12 occasions particularly in the evening|night due to over-loading and other faults common during hot and humid weather.

(c) DESU has initiated action to revamp the system where the weaknesses have been revealed. An elaborate system exists to respond to the reports of interruptions and to restore the supply at the earliest possible in the area. There is, however, no scheme to augment the transformer capacity of the existing system in the area, at present.

Manufacture of rigs by the Mazagon Docks Ltd. for the Oil and Natural Gas Commission

2503. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has placed huge orders on the Mazagon Dock Ltd. for manufacture of rigs and platforms worth several hundred crores of rupees;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the MDL, having limited capacity, are passing on these orders to sub-contractors within and outside the country; and